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DEMAND FOR TECH PROFESSIONALS REMAINS HIGH, STABLE, SAYS DS&E

Demand for engineers and scientists continues to be high. The single-month High Technology Recruitment Index figure for June is 138, one point down from the previous month. Yet the three-month running average, on which the Index itself is based, is 141, two points higher than May and the highest it has been since 1979. These data indicate, not only that demand for technical talent is very high but that it appears relatively stable, with no extreme spurts or drops.

DS&E believes that demand may possibly be approaching a high plateau, such as occurred in the late 1970s.

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HIGH TECHNOLOGY RECRUITMENT INDEX
(1961=100; Seasonally Adjusted)

Month	Single-Month Figure	High Technology Recruitment Index*
June, 1983	94	97
July	104	101
August	104	106
September	111	108
October	110	102
November	100	111
December	123	120
January, 1984	137	132
February	135	134
March	129	137
April	148	139
May	139	141
June	138	--

*Based on a 3-month running average

HTRI is based on recruitment advertising placed in key newspapers and professional journals each month. DS&E, which has maintained the Index since 1960, is a recruitment advertising agency, a subsidiary of Foote, Cone & Belding Communications, Inc.

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